

Income from duty on petrol.

85. **MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the income now (5-4-1108) derived from duty levied on petrol?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Petrol imported from foreign countries direct into Travancore is alone subject to duty. As no such direct imports have occurred till now, no income is derived under duty on petrol. The member's attention is, however, invited to the answer given to Question No. 183 at the meeting of the Council held on the 5th August 1932 (*Vide* page 573 of Vol. XXI of the printed proceedings) from which it will be seen that this Government received Bh. Rs. 2,72,000 as their share of the duty on petrol from the Government of India.

Issue of P. W. contracts to co-operative societies.

86. **MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state.

(a) whether they have issued any circular to the effect that the Public Works and other Departments should give contracts to co-operative societies if applied for by them; and

(b) whether they will lay on the table a statement showing the number of applications for contracts received by the Public Works Department from these societies, the number of applications granted and the number rejected?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yes.

(b) 30 co-operative societies got contracts from the P. W. and Maramath Departments. Information about the number of applications received from co-operative societies by the P. W. Department and the number rejected is not available.

Application for leave to introduce the "Travancore Special Marriage and Succession Bill."

87. **MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether any non-official member of the Legislative Council has applied for sanction to introduce "The Travancore Special Marriage and Succession Bill";

(b) if so, the date of such application;

(c) whether sanction was granted; and

(d) if not, why not?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) the 6th Chingom 1108.

(c) Yes.

(d) In view of the answer to part (c), this question does not arise.

Selection of a site for dumping night-soil in Trivandrum Municipality.

88. **MR. A. THANU PILLAI** (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state: